

EXHIBIT 17

Performance Bond Form

PERFORMANCE BOND

BOND No:

KNOW ALL PEOPLE BY THESE PRESENTS that we ERG Transit Systems (USA) Inc. (hereinafter called "the Contractor") and of (hereinafter called "the Surety") are held and firmly bound unto King County (hereinafter called "the Principal") in the sum of Dollars (\$) for the faithful performance of the Contract referenced below, and for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and successors, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS the Contractor has entered into a certain contract with the Principal and other transit agencies, Contract Number 229944 dated April 29, 2003, for the Development, Implementation, Operation and Maintenance of the Regional Fare Coordination System which Contract, including all of the Contract Documents as defined therein and as amended, is by reference made a part hereof, and is hereinafter called "the said Contract".

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that if the Contractor shall duly perform and observe all the terms, provisions, conditions and stipulations of the said Contract on the Contractor's part to be performed and observed according to the true purport intent and meaning thereof and to the satisfaction of the Principal, OR if the Contractor shall be, and is declared by the Principal to be, in default under the Contract, the Surety, at the request of the Principal, shall promptly pay to the Principal (on behalf of the Principal and any other transit agency that is party to the Contract) the amount of any losses, damages or other costs incurred by the Principal (and any other transit agency that is party to the Contract) that are caused by the default or shall otherwise promptly remedy the default in a manner acceptable to the Principal, up to the

amount of this instrument, THEN this obligation shall be null and void but otherwise shall be and remain in full force and effect.

No alteration in the terms of the said Contract made by agreement between the Principal and the Contractor shall in any way release the Surety from any liability under this Bond.

If this limitation is made void by any law controlling the construction thereof, such limitation shall be deemed to equal the minimum period of limitation permitted by such law.

No judgement shall be rendered against the Surety in excess of the amount of this instrument.

This Bond will expire automatically on, 200...., without any necessity to have the original of this Bond returned to us and no claim received by us after the said date will be honoured.

This Bond shall in all respects be interpreted in accordance with the law of the State of Washington. The exclusive jurisdiction and venue for conducting any legal actions arising under this Bond shall reside in either the Federal District Court for Western Washington located in Seattle, Washington or the Superior Court of the State of Washington situated in King County, Washington, as appropriate.

Signed, Sealed and Dated this day
of 20....

Signed and Sealed on behalf of

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by

under Power of Attorney dated

in the presence of:

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Witness

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Attorney